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A vigorous, swift moving story of the great North country, told in Curwood's best style. Thrill follows thrill, with bits of humor interspersed, given in picturesque scenic backgrounds. It is a picture you will thoroughly enjoy. Don't forget it is only for one night—Friday, March 19.

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MONDAY-TUESDAY, MARCH 22-23

"THE STREET OF FORGOTTEN MEN"

PERCY MARMONT, NEIL HAMILTON and MARY BRIAN
in leading roles

Comedy—"SO LONG BILL"

Shows start at 8 p.m.

Regular prices.

M. D. of Bertawan

Meeting of Bertawan Municipal Council held at Sibbald, on Saturday, March 6, at 2 p.m.

Present: Councillors Allwood, Daibel, Jones, Mowers, Norris and Wilson.

Allwood—That Charles Wilson be Reeve for the ensuing year. Carried.

Jones—That Fred Daibel be Deputy Reeve for the first six months. Carried.

Allwood—That the present

Secretary-Treasurer be re-engaged for a year, at the rate of \$125.00 per month. Carried.

Mowers—That the Finance Committee consist of the Reeve, Councillor Norris and the Secretary. Carried.

Wilson—That the road committee be the same as last year viz—Councillors, Norris, Wilson, and Mowers for Divisions 4, 5 and six. Carried.

Mowers—That Councillor Allwood be inspector of Pensions. Carried.

M.H.O. the retainer to be \$10.00. Carried.

Mowers—That the Reeve, Councillor Daibel and the Secretary be the local Health Board. Carried.

Allwood—That the meetings be held on the first Saturday of each month at 2 p.m. unless some other date is arranged at a Council meeting of which each member shall have timely notice. Carried.

Allwood—That minutes of previous meeting be adopted. Carried.

Allwood—That the personal effects of the late Campbell Elliot be shipped to his relatives in Quilph. Carried.

Allwood—That the matter of turning over the surplus collected from the Elliot estate be deferred until next meeting, when certain information required from the Attorney General's Department will be available to the Council. Carried.

Daibel—That Councillor Allwood be delegate to Hall Board Convention.

Mowers—That Councillor Norris be delegate.

Councillor Allwood withdrew his name from the voting and Norris was appointed the delegate.

Jones—That the matter of School advances be tabled until next meeting. Carried.

Norris—That we pass a By-law to levy a business tax of \$25.00 on the Hotel in town. Motion defeated.

Mowers—That the following accounts be paid: Western Municipal Notes, \$3.50; Burroughs Adding Co, \$3.95; Attorney General, \$2.50; Quick Print, \$7.00; H. M. Ball, \$10.00; Henry Hagh, \$30.00.

Moved adjournment.
W. Linklater, Sec-Treas.

Peterson's Rink Wins Third Man Competition

Peterson's rink won the final game in the third man competition last Monday night defeating Wade's rink after a closely contested game. Games in the fours and fives drawn on Monday night, were played on tough ice, and it is generally anticipated that the competition will end the curling season.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gaw, visited Dr. and Mrs. McPhail, for a few days at the beginning of the week.

Second Pool Payment

The second payment to the members of the Alberta wheat pool commenced last week, amounting to 20 cents a bushel on all grades of wheat, basis Fort William. The payments to Alberta members of the pool will amount to several millions of dollars.

Famous Alberta Team Going East

The noted Commercial Graduates Basketball Team, of Edmonton, ladies world's champions, will leave shortly for Eastern Canada and the U.S. where a series of exhibition games will be played during Easter week at Toronto, New York, Philadelphia and other points.

C. G. I. T.

The Shamrock tea, held at the home of Mrs. Naismith, on Saturday afternoon, was a most successful social affair. The room, which was prettily decorated by the girls under the supervision of Miss Colwell, lent a typically Irish atmosphere. At small tables, centred with real Shamrocks, the guests partook of dainty refreshments Mrs. Radtke and Mrs. Keir read the tea cups of those "superstitiously inclined". The hostess was ably assisted by the staff and Mrs. Corcoran. Fifty persons called during the afternoon, enabling the girls to more than reach their financial objective.

The C.G.I.T. wish to express their thanks to Mr. Dunford for so kindly demonstrating the methods of newspaper printing, last Thursday evening. During his talk he willingly answered all questions and incidentally showed us the printer's towel. Our minister's wife's curiosity was aroused to such an extent that she asked to see the "Printer's Devil"—but we did not see him.

The first rain of the year occurred yesterday, when light showers fell between 4 and 7 o'clock.

\$1,000.00 Gold in Prizes

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The first prize will be awarded to the largest list first received. The second prize will be awarded to the second largest list first received, and so on. SO GET YOUR ANSWER IN EARLY.

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1. Any person who places an order for a Suit of Clothes or any other garment with a Hobberlin Agent from March 1st to June 30th is eligible for a prize.
2. The order doesn't have to be for immediate delivery. You may place your order now and arrange for delivery any time up to July 15th.
3. Write your answers plainly opposite the numbers on the sheet supplied.
4. Any person may compete—boys, girls, grown-ups—as long as it is certified that an order is accompanying the answer. The prize-winners will be announced during the first week of July.
5. Use only English words in ordinary use.
6. The replies will be judged by a committee of judges, having no connection with the House of Hobberlin, Limited.
7. The decision of the judges is final.

You need the suit. Prize money would be acceptable. Its a contest more simple than a crossword puzzle. Get busy and win a prize. Forms will be supplied on request.

S. A. MILLER

AGENT FOR THE HOUSE OF HOBBERLIN

CLOSING-OUT SALE

Having definitely decided to quit the general store business in Oyen, the entire stock of merchandise in Guthrie's Store is being marked down to positive bargain prices and will be offered to the public for cash in a Great Closing Out Sale commencing.

Saturday, March 20

Store closed all day Friday for stock marking.

GUTHRIE'S STORE

Large sale bill are now in the mail.

MAY PROSECUTE WITNESSES IN CUSTOMS PROBE

Montreal—H. Calder, K.C., counsel for the parliamentary committee investigating the fraud charges in connection with the department of customs and excise, is prepared to initiate proceedings against witnesses who might incur the charge of perjury.

"The laws of dealing with perjury," he said, "has been very properly laid out by R. P. Sparks, president of the Commercial Protective Association. As far as I am concerned I am prepared to recommend and initiate proceedings."

"The public must not get impatient," he stated, when commenting on progress so far. "All deep inquiries must start and develop slowly. Dead-end inquiries usually start with a bang and end with a whimper. During the past two weeks," he continued, "the members of the committee have been securing the production of documents on which the work will largely be based. Several hundred files are now under examination and all those relevant to the scope of the inquiry will be put before the committee by the first primary evidence available."

"The criticism has been made that what is called legal quibbling, that criticism is chiefly leveled at the hazy of betray evidence. It must be evident to any person that the rules of proof must be followed if justice is to be attained."

"It is my intention to clean up the mess raised by this inquiry, and which which there has been so much curiosity, and then to bring before the committee certain classification of customs intrusions and falsity."

Vagrant Children Of Russia Form Unions

Bandit Gangs Give Themselves Union Names and Status

Moscow—Following literally the Communist slogan, "workers of the world unite," groups of the vagrant children of Russia have formed themselves in local "trade unions" and "gangs."

In the Shakhovsk district of the Ural, the street gangs have organized a "workers' union," the specialty of which is robbery.

In Kharkov, groups of homeless boys who have specialized in petty larceny have joined into the "Young Bandits Union." Among the "unions" established by parentless children in Moscow is the "Amalgamated Fraternity of Young Pigeon Flyers."

Liner Will Be Scrapped

Empress of Japan Said to Iron Merchant of Kobe

Victoria—The old Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Japan, once the fastest greyhound on the Orient run, has been sold to T. Kanagawa, of Kobe, for \$175,000 (plus expenses of \$5,000), and will be taken to Japan to be scrapped, according to advices received from Japan. The Empress, which had been lying idle at Vancouver for several years past, will be delivered in April or May. Kanagawa, purchaser of the ship, is a Kobe iron merchant.

Sign Migration Agreement

Dr. Knows Australia—The government of Queensland has signed the migration agreement to which the British Government is a party and under which the maximum amount of £25,000,000 (\$16,250,000) is to be allotted to the Australian states for the settlement of immigrants. New South Wales is now the only state which has not signed the agreement.

Japan Protests Against Blockade

Peking—Taking cognizance of the violation of the 1901 protocol regarding that communication between Peking and the sea be kept open, the protocol powers held a protest with the Chinese foreign office against the blockade of Tientsin and other ports. They bring about its immediate cessation by both hostile factions.

Miners Accept Agreement

Sydney—The miners of district 25, United Mine Workers of America, have accepted by a majority of 201 the proposed agreement with the British Empire Steel Corporation. The total number of votes polled in the referendum was 430.

Noted Surgeon Dies

Vienna, Austria—Dr. Friedrich Rehn, noted Viennese surgeon and ophthalmologist, died recently, aged 71. He killed his body to the Anatomical School.

For Return Of Alberta Natural Resources

Measure Is Given Second Reading In The Legislature

Edmonton—Good progress is being made with the Alberta Government's legislative programme. Over forty bills have been introduced into the house, and a number have received second readings. Many of the bills are of a non-contentious nature, being consolidations and amendments of existing statutes.

The bill providing for the transfer of the province of its public lands and minerals was given second reading, opinion on all sides of the house is unanimous in urging this measure.

At present the Dominion Government owns the natural resources of the province. Premier Brownlee said that a bill embodying the agreement with the province would be introduced in the Dominion House, and he did not anticipate any serious objection. The bill was a government measure, being consolidations and amendments of existing support from Opposition members. Before being passed into law it would require the consent of the Imperial Parliament, and other provinces objected, there would be no difficulty there.

Some Alberta legislators are also anxious in asking the Dominion to give the public utilities board of the province control over charters and franchises of the province, and the companies are being refused charters by the province and granted them by the Dominion.

The measure of protection for the public is demanded by the oil boom which recently commenced in Alberta. The province is interested in railways now of Edmonton to the extent of \$25,000,000. None of these railways are paying their way.

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Wheat Pool Payment

To Payment Of About \$37,000,000 Return To Three Prairie Provinces

Regina—The following announcement was issued by A. J. McPhail, president of the Canadian Co-operative Wheat Producers' Association: "The wheat pools in the three provinces, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, are making an interim payment of \$37,000,000 to the three provinces on all grades of wheat. On coarse grain a payment of six cents per bushel is made on oats and barley, ten cents on wheat, and 25 cents on rye."

"As a result of this distribution, the initial payment on the different grains on and after March 1, will be as follows: "Wheat, \$1.20, basis 1 C.W. Willam; oats, 40 cents, basis 2 C.W. Willam; barley, 66 cents, basis 3 C.W. Fort William; rye, \$1.75, basis 1 C.W. Fort William; rye, 80 cents, basis 2 C.W. Fort William."

"Approximately 100,000 cheques will be mailed from the three provincial offices amounting to a total of about \$37,000,000."

Urges Abolition Of Design

Winnipeg—Taking the stand that the status of naturalized Canadian citizens is endangered by the present opposition to the prize-winning memorial design, submitted by Alexander Hahn, Toronto sculptor, the Canadian Club of Winnipeg urged the unqualified acceptance of the design. Hahn, who is now in Germany, has been a resident of Canada for 25 years and was naturalized on becoming a citizen.

Druse Tribesmen Lose Heavily

Belrut, Syria—The Druse tribesmen who are fighting against the French have suffered serious losses in a blood engagement in the environs of Damascus. The French claim to have killed only one officer and two men.

Revealed By Blunder

Victoria—Through a blunder in the details of a big Japanese naval construction programme were laid bare the secret of the Japanese fleet from Tokyo by the liner Empress of Australia, which arrived here.

Trouble With Turkey

British Ambassador Leaves Post As Result of Action Taken Against Turkish Interests

Constantinople—Anglo-Turkish relations show an unsatisfactory turn when Sir Ronald Lindsay, the British ambassador, suddenly departed for London. This created a air of pessimism in foreign circles.

Ambassador Lindsay returned from Ankara, where he had come to protest against the recent action of Turkey in closing the English high school and creating a similar move against the British bank. It is understood that Sir Ronald told Ruzhdi Bey, the foreign minister, that Turkey had violated the Lusitania Treaty and that he was unable to resume the Mosul negotiations unless the authorities discontinued action which was considered inimical to British interests.

The fact that the ambassador assumed an attitude of silence is interpreted as indicating that he considered Turkey had provided a situation which could not be discussed without consultation with the British foreign office.

MOVEMENT OF CANADIAN WHEAT CONTINUES LIGHT

Port William—Following is the report of A. J. McPhail, president of the board of grain commission on the movement of Western Canadian grain during February:

"Conditions surrounding the marketing and movement of Canadian grain during the month of February remained almost exactly similar to those obtaining during January. The demand from European importers is quite slight, native supplies in Europe being utilized to the fullest extent possible while good quantities of Argentine and Australian wheats are arriving, which will furnish the bulk of the immediate import requirements. Under certain quantities of high grade wheat, necessary to millers producing flour, there does not appear to be any prospect of a change in the situation, for the present at least."

The movement of Canadian wheat into consuming and exporting countries continues very moderate in volume. From the point of view of the rail movement, the situation is extremely light. The movement of wheat from the west to the east at Canadian lower lake ports for movement to the seaboard for export has also been slow, about 25 million bushels still remaining to be disposed of, while at Buffalo and other United States ports the total represents another 25 million bushels. At Vancouver a steady shipment continues, averaging 15 million bushels received and shipped each week.

"Ocean freight rates from Vancouver to Constantinople and other ports around 30 shillings per ton, and from London to Vancouver at \$1.75 to \$2.00 to the Orient. The small movement from Atlantic ports, however, has made it difficult, at times, for liners to get away with cargoes and rates have fallen most markedly."

New Chemical Element

Urbana, Ill.—Honoring the state and the University of Illinois, the newly-discovered chemical element number 81 is to be called Hahnium.

C.N.R. Brings Season's First British Family

London—The first British family to travel to their new home in Vancouver Island via the Canadian National Railways. The Moberg family, who arrived in Canada at the middle of February, have taken up one of the improved farms of the Canadian Land Settlement Board near Victoria. The Moberg family are from Evesham, Northamptonshire. His children range from two to 15 years of age. The buildings on their new farm are ready for occupation and everything is in readiness for the spring work.

SUBMIT OFFER TO PURCHASE BIG ELEVATOR PLANT

Regina—An agreement covering the offer to purchase the elevator system of the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Company, and approved by the pool delegates at an extraordinary general meeting held February 17 to 19, has now been forwarded to that company.

The complete system included in the offer to purchase comprises 431 country elevators, together with all houses, agents' houses, etc., two tiered elevators at Port Arthur, named by Terminal No. 1 with a storage capacity of 1,200,000 bushels, and Terminal No. 2 with a total capacity of 6,000,000 bushels. The Transfer Elevator at Buffalo, New York, the company's bushel interest in the C.N.R. Terminal at Port Arthur, which has a storage capacity of approximately 7,500,000 bushels, and company's office building in the city of Regina, together with furniture, fixtures, etc.

The entire system is to be determined by a board of arbitration composed of three arbitrators, of whom the pool shall select one, the Elevator Company another, and these two shall select the third. The agreement provides that the first two arbitrators are to be appointed within ten days and the third within twenty days after the Elevator Company has notified the pool of its acceptance of the offer. The sum of \$500,000 in cash will be deposited by the pool prior to the holding of the special general meeting of the Elevator Company, and \$1,500,000 will be paid by the pool on January 1, 1926, making a total payment of \$2,000,000. The balance of the purchase price will be paid in equal annual consecutive instalments of \$1,000,000, with interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, as payable on January 1 of each year.

The pool reserves the right to pay off the whole or any part of the purchase price at any payment date before maturity without notice or bond.

Discuss Change Of League Headquarters

Opinion Expressed That Geneva Is Not Entirely Suitable

Geneva—Local Council members at meeting of delegates from the dominions to the league assembly at which the situation here was discussed. A great part of the meeting was given over to the question of building a new assembly hall the league assembly at which the situation here was discussed. A great part of the meeting was given over to the question of building a new assembly hall the league assembly at which the situation here was discussed.

Sugar Shortage In Turkey

Constantinople—Turkey is suffering from a sugar shortage, which recalls the scarcity experienced in most countries during the war. Sugar shortages are doing a thriving business owing to the government's failure to organize the necessary machinery for operating its recently announced monopoly of the sugar business.

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Thornton—Holding that the acceptance on the part of Ontario of the \$9 freight rate on Alberta coal proposed by the Alberta and Dominion governments might be construed as an admission by this province that such a rate was fair and adequate, Premier Ferguson, in statement, said that such a rate would not be acceptable to the province and that such an agreement could not be entered into.

Teach Canadian History

Young Canadians Should Be Steeped In Things Canadian

Vancouver—"To promote Canadian sentiment we should begin in the schools. Every young Canadian should be steeped in the things Canadian and should be taught Canadian history as no other thing is taught. That is what has been done," said B. C. Nicholas, editor of the Victoria Times, speaking in addressing the board of teachers. "Only on the broad ground of a pervasive Canadianism can this country be united," he declared. "Patriotism of Canada consciousness rests on two bases, the first, sentiment or moral and the second, material or economic."

As a definite formula for creating unity in Canada, Mr. Nicholas advocated increased immigration, the cultivation of foreign trade and the waging of a vigorous campaign of publicity in Eastern Canada to create in people that British Columbia and the port of Vancouver are great national assets.

Coal Probe Was Costly

Inquiry Into Nova Scotia Mining Industry Cost About \$300,000

Halifax, N.S.—It was divulged in House of Assembly during consideration of the expenditure for Nova Scotia coal, that the cost of the inquiry into the coal mining industry in Nova Scotia, received \$300,000 per month as remuneration for his services and the two other members of the commission. Major James Croft, of London, Ont., and Rev. Dr. P. J. MacPherson, Rector of St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, \$750 each, while the cost of the commission was \$300,000. The members of the agricultural commission which recently completed an investigation of the industry in the province have given the services free, but received travelling expenses. The total cost of the agricultural commission was \$2,000 and of the coal commission approximately \$300,000.

Fuel Oil Tax In B.C. Illegal

Justices Morrison Of Supreme Court Have Given Ruling

Vancouver—"The 10-10 oil tax of half cent a gallon passed by the British Columbia Legislature in 1925 and estimated to return an annual revenue of \$1,000,000, was declared illegal by Mr. Justice A. D. Morrison in the Supreme Court on the ground that it is an indirect and ultra vires of the Provincial Legislature."

"Although the gas tax of 1925 was a valid law, also passed in 1925 by the legislature was not directly involved in the fuel oil tax case, the statute is inoperative, and the ruling directed against the fuel oil tax is equally applicable against the gas tax, and the other. It is generally conceded that if the fuel oil tax is illegal, that of the gasoline tax is also illegal."

Planning Change In Manitoba Liquor Act

Legislation Has Been Introduced To Tighten Up Enforcement

Winnipeg—Tightening of the enforcement of the Manitoba Temperance Act is planned for legislation introduced in the Manitoba Legislature by Hon. R. W. Craig, attorney-general. The legislation would limit the definition of a residence in which liquor can be taken and kept, would provide for personal appearance of persons accused of a violation of the act, and would provide for a government appropriation of \$100,000 for enforcement of the law. Instead of \$25,000 approved by the legislature last session.

Advocate Stricter Censorship

Montreal Organizations Want Cheap Literature Banned From Canada

Montreal—Ten local organizations, the Chamber of Commerce and the Montreal Publicity Association, took action with respect to foreign periodicals entering Canada. Indignation over what was termed the "avalanche of cheap, sordid and pornographic literature" that comes into this country from the United States was voiced by the Chamber of Commerce and the association was made that a stricter censorship should be enforced.

Trend By Wolves

Ottawa—Surrounded by a pack of wolves, two shamans, Joseph Kienburg, 25, of Quebec, Que., and Adolphe Lavette, 42, of Ottawa, were freed for three hours in zero weather on March 2, because of 83 miles north of Winnipeg.

The rescue of the two men, who were in the Ottawa River, according to word received here.

Portugal Offered British Warships

Lisbon, Portugal—The Lario News says Great Britain has offered Portugal 12 of its warships for 450,000, allowing her facilities for payment. The warships are not obsolete, the paper says, but the British desire to substitute more modern vessels for them.

Town Razed By Hurricane

Venezia—Despatches to the Argentinian Zeitung say the town of Venezia in Bolivia was razed by a hurricane and that the entire population is homeless. No mention is made of casualties.

SWEDEN CLAIMS LIFE OF LEAGUE IS ENDANGERED

Geneva—Protests by Sweden that the great powers, particularly Great Britain, were trying to bully her into agreeing to enlargement of the league council, formed a sectional climax to the unsuccessful negotiations to settle the League of Nations international crisis.

From Swedish circles came the charge that Sir Austen Chamberlain had secured M. Unden, the Swedish Foreign Minister, for Germany at the very life of the league by its fraudulent attitude against enlargement of the council beyond the admission of Germany and that the British foreign secretary had declared it was impossible to conduct negotiations when a foreign minister came to Geneva with hard and fast instructions.

M. Unden, adhering to the strong position maintained by Spain and Brazil for permanent panel, pointed out that other countries seemed also to have sent delegates to Geneva with unalterable mandates. He asserted that by voting for Germany at the present moment, he was serving the highest interests of the league.

The Swedes assert that the allied powers, notably France, made a powerful bid, not only for the election of Brazil and Spain, but also Poland, although they did not insist upon Poland being secured a permanent seat.

Alberta's Finances Improved

Report of Provincial Secretary Shows Surplus in Public Accounts

Edmonton—"The public accounts of the Province of Alberta, tabled in the Legislative Assembly by the Provincial Treasurer, Hon. R. G. Reid, show a net estimated deficit of \$268,125 for 1925 (based upon an actual surplus of \$185,000) for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1926, as compared with a deficit of \$268,125 for 1924.

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Protection Of Game Supply

Government Takes Steps To Combat Wolf Menace In North

The protection of the game supply of the Northwest Territories has been given special consideration by the Dominion Government during recent years. Particular attention has been directed to the caribou, on which the natives, Indians and Eskimos, who are the wards of the government, depend for food, clothing and other necessities. The valuable wolf life to protect for the natives by means of preserves (in which all wolves are prohibited from hunting) and by bounty for the destruction of wolves. The preserves, live in number, aggregating 21,000 square miles, have been set aside by the department of the interior and are administered by its North West Territories and Yukon branch.

During recent years further steps have been taken to suppress the wolf menace by outfitting hunters, and sending them into those parts of the north country in which wolves are known to congregate, particularly to the east of Great Slave Lake, where a heavy toll of the caribou is taken during the spring and fall migrations.

During the season of 1922-23 a party of three, operating in this region, secured 125 wolves. The success of this expedition was most gratifying and in July, 1924, a party of four, with provisions for a year, was sent to the Great Slave Lake area. This second returned to Port Smith in July, 1925, after an eventful trip with a bag of 150 wolves and 2 wolves.

The great destruction of game wrought by wolves in the North West Territories may be better realized when it is remembered that the average number of caribou killed in a year by a wolf is estimated at fifty, and that in addition they cause heavy loss to trappers by destroying the pelts of fur-bearing animals caught on the trap lines. From the above figures it will be seen that considerable damage has been effected in wild life by this form of the government's game protective activities in the northwest.

Motor Tourists Flock Into B.C.

Visitors Number Almost As Many As Entire Population

Almost as many people as the entire population of British Columbia came to the province last year in automobiles from outside points, according to government figures compiled at Victoria, B.C.

Altogether 146,176 foreign cars entered British Columbia last year through various points of entry. They have, on an average, 12.5 passengers. These cars brought 556,712 passengers while in the previous year 75,881 foreign cars with 401,495 passengers came to the province.

The growth in motor traffic to and from the province has more than kept pace with the expansion of the highway system, although the government's road programme is extensive. The road mileage of the province outside municipal roads has increased almost 50 per cent in nine years, and now aggregates 17,020 miles. The province's investment in roads, bridges and ferries totals \$56,200,000.

Mountain Lions Like Catnap

Attracted To It Just the Same As Cats Says Biologist

During mountain lions with catnap is the sport of a biologist in charge of the predatory animal control department of the Colorado Fish, Game and Forest Protective Association. "A cat is a cat, regardless of its size or living conditions, and the great mountain lion is as susceptible to the drowsy inclination of catnap as is our own pet Tabby," he said. "The lions come down to roll about in patches of tumbled hay or corn, which all of catnap has been poured, just the little kitten."

Realized His Fears

An old colored man was paying his first visit to an optician's shop and was gazing in wondering wonder at the various instruments and apparatus finally rested on an extraordinary looking affair on a table.

"Now, what am I at this?" he asked in a awed tone.

"That," answered the optician, very gravely, "is an ophthalmometer."

"Sho," whispered the old Negro, "is that the name of a new kind of coffee, or is it a new kind of tea?"

Reporters Want Protection

The policeman's club in Paris has to often descended upon young heads during times that the newspaper reporters have requested the authorities to issue to them small badges by which they may be recognized as non-combatants during disturbances.

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Making A Hotbed

Now Is the Season For The Amateur Gardener To Start Early Plants

The standard frame for a hotbed or cold frame is eighteen inches high in the back and six inches high in front and usually made in two sack units, 6 by 6. The hotbed frame is sunk in a pit, usually one a foot or so from the house, or it may be placed upon a bed of manure upon the surface of the soil if the pit could not be dug. The pit frame is easier to handle.

The frame proper is placed upon a square box which contains the manure. The fermenting manure gives sufficient heat to maintain growing temperature in the miniature green house until the weather is settled if started in the middle of March over the central portion of the country.

The cold frame is merely an unheated hotbed with the frame placed upon the surface of the soil or slightly depressed and banked up. It protects the harder seeds from sudden changes in temperature, drying or cutting winds and gives an early start for the harder seeds, and is useful in April for the tender sort.

For a hotbed, a pit a foot larger in both dimensions than the frame is dug to a depth of about three feet. If a sub frame is used, or two, a foot or two deep, the pit should be made to sit directly upon the manure. The manure should be from one foot to six inches thick, depending upon the length of time it is desired to maintain heat. From ten to six inches is the usual amount for the average bed.

The preparation of the manure is one of the most important factors. It should be coarse and strawy, from one-half to one-third, and should be uniform in texture, a condition to be obtained by frequent turning and mixing. It should be accumulated and stacked under cover until it begins to steam uniformly. It should be moist and not wet. If it is too dry, it will not heat, and if it is too wet, it will rot. A little of the warm water may be applied and some gardeners find mixing a little straw manure an excellent plan to start heating. The first ferment is irregular and the pile must be turned until it heats uniformly, when it is ready to place in the hotbed pit.

A Peculiar Marriage Custom

Swiss Couples Presented With Cheese On Which They Record Family History

In what is called the "cheese custom" of Switzerland, a peculiar marriage custom has prevailed for centuries. In that portion of the Alps, where a pair join in wedlock, it is the fashion for their families to buy a "regulator cheese" for the young couple. This cheese is presented to the newly-wedded people on the evening of the wedding day, and is ever after retained by them and used as a family register. On these delicious cheeses the whole history of the family is carved, such as births, marriages, deaths, and other incidents which it may be desired to mark in record. Some of these old Swiss family cheese records are said to date back to the middle of the seventeenth century. At the agricultural fair annually held at Gessney a great many cheese records have been exhibited which were known to be from 100 to 200 years old. The old set that has yet been displayed belongs to a country couple living near Gessney, who show his family record carved on a cheese made in 1600.

In The Buffalo Country

Alberta University Professor Secures Fine Specimen of Bison in Slave River District

Trailing wild buffalo with a bulldog on a beach, shooting the heads of the north in their habitat on the Salt Plains of Northern Canada; and bringing out the specimens through heavy rain were some of Professor William Nowak's experience's this season in the Slave River country.

The Alberta University biologist secured the great size of the wild bison, saying that in many places where the buffalo had been hunted themselves on the jack pine, half a mile from six feet from the ground, one of the bison which his party secured, was measured and weighed identically, the following being the result: Height, 5 feet 23 inches; length, 10 feet 10 inches; weight, 2,200 pounds; weight of gross hide, 312 pounds; and weight of the animal's stomach, 56 pounds.

The professor detailed the manner in which the bison were trailed and finally shot, the animal taking refuge in a hole before he finally crashed to earth.

"How modestly she dresses, and how lovely!"

"Yes, that woman will do anything to attract attention."

Food Value Of Candy

Eating Confectionery Good, Way to Increase Energy Rating

If you buy and eat one ounce of peppermint cream you will have eaten enough to supply you with 100 calories of energy. If the cream is coated with chocolate three-quarters of an ounce will do the trick. Caramels and sugar almonds run each other close in terms of energy, a little more than three-quarters of an ounce of caramels and a trifling more of sugar almonds will each give 100 calories. Chocolate almonds are extra good. A little more than half an ounce will give the same number of calories, but of marshmallows more than one ounce will have to be eaten.

Confectionery is a good way of increasing one's energy rating. Any of the following will make up 100 calories:

Three-quarters of an ounce of chocolate-coated nougatines, one ounce of caramels, one ounce of almonds, a little more than three-quarters of an ounce of coconut nuts, less than half an ounce of salted almonds, and fewer still of salted almonds.

Easy Marks

It has passed into the sort of a popular platitude that a plausible number of signatures to almost any kind of public petition, when it comes to signing petitions, persons of high and low degree alike seem to be as "marks" as those who figure in the "yucker" list of get-rich-quick enterprises.—Portland Oregonian.

Says Yukon Is A Garden

Wife of Federal Member Enjoys Her Northern Home

Mrs. George Black, the wife of the member for Yukon in the Canadian Parliament, is a lover of flowers and of the far northern home in which she lives. She refers to the Yukon as a "garden" and it is a reference somewhat surprising to Canadians who prefer to think of the Yukon as very far away and very cold indeed. She also first went to Yukon in 1908, she has collected four hundred and sixty varieties of wild flowers in that district. The soil is so rich in the Yukon, says Mrs. Black, that one has only to "ride the earth with a hoe and she laughs with a harvest." Sweet peas grow in Dawson in the height of sixteen feet.

The Porter's Philosophy

An old Pullman porter retired the other day after 55 years of service with the company. "In all that time I was never 'wreathed' in his supercilious philosophy of conduct on the job might offer a lesson to others in positions not so lowly as his. My mother always taught me never to quarrel with a fool."—Detroit Free Press.

Very Obliging

Shoemaker: "What made that gentleman wait out just now? Did you offend him?"

Assistant: "I don't know. He asked me for a pat to suit his head, and I advised him a soft one."

Windmills Of Holland

Familiar Landmark Is Fast Disappearing Owing to March of Progress

Holland and windmills are synonymous terms and Zaanland is the true home of windmills. But, alas, the other picturesque one-time necessities of the windmill is fast disappearing even from Holland. When water turned the mills of other lands, the Low Countries had no streams with enough for that service and so they utilized the sea. But steam has crowded upon both water and wind, and electricity has followed steam. The Dutch realize that much of the picturesque of their country will vanish with the windmill and so they are putting forth organized effort to preserve those that remain and to repair for service those that have been abandoned.—Farmer's Sun.

Good Year For Stock

Alberta stockmen have far exceeded this winter's weather. The weather has been so mild that the livestock have flourished and are in much better condition than ordinarily at this time of year. Many of them have not yet been compelled to feed a pound of hay and animals are fat and quite ready for themselves, owing to absence of snow.

Lamb Exports Increased

Twenty-six thousand head of lambs were exported from Canadian stockyards and abattoirs during 1925, as compared with 5,000 in 1924. In addition, over 1,500,000 pounds of mutton and lamb were exported, against less than 200,000 the year before.

Jack Miner And Crow Controversy

The Crow Is A Robber And Destroys The Nests Of Insectivorous Birds (By Elmer Roper White)

Jack Miner's bird sanctuary dates back to 1914. This does not say Jack Miner has spent only the last twenty years studying habits of birds, but that he has spent the last twenty years, as Jack Miner says himself, "thank God I soon outgrew this murderous habit with a hundred per cent interest, whether he was shooting or not, I was out for all I ever killed. Nevertheless, he was studying."

It was eleven years ago and twelve springs ago, I visited his place for an interview and on starting my conversation with him, he said, "I have changed the migration route of the Wild Canada Goose and if I could get some Wild Native Swans to keep in captivity, I would change the route of migration of the swans and not so many would go over Niagara Falls." However, I smiled to myself, but four years ago, with the assistance of the game departments, secured six Wild Native Swans that went over Niagara Falls and the first thing I knew, my smile at Jack Miner's statement in this respect vanished as the following spring I read in big headlines in the daily press that one thousand Wild Whistling Swans were making their home along above and were at Niagara Falls, and every spring since, the flock has grown. Last fall there were thirty-two hundred there and none went over Niagara Falls in comparison to other years, as none were seen there, as they had changed their route as Jack Miner told me, and would, eleven years ago, and what did I tell me yesterday in an interview. He said, "Now I am going to show the migrating route of the greater Arctic Skuas." He says he has been in the game since they were secured by Mr. J. D. Hartley and Mr. H. H. Lloyd, department of interior, and are now on the Miner sanctuary. Last fall, says Jack Miner, several flocks came and nearly alighted but were stopped.

Jack Miner was first attacked from a human standpoint for killing crows, but when he pointed out that we all men and women to death for murder and the same should apply to the bird family, that he settled that side of the argument, when he pointed out the crow was the murderer of the bird family as well as the robber.

Somebody then said it was the gun that had decreased the song and insectivorous birds, but Jack Miner soon brought that argument to a close when he pointed out that if we all men and women to death for murder and the same should apply to the bird family, that he settled that side of the argument, when he pointed out the crow was the murderer of the bird family as well as the robber.

As for the crows eating beetles and grasshoppers, Jack Miner said this was true, but they didn't when they could get other birds' eggs, because many a crow with nests two miles away, would fly to eat all the eggs of other birds and come to his sanctuary for bird eggs where song and insectivorous birds were nesting.

I say it is time to give Jack Miner, our wholehearted support until men in his same class that have made equally as much study say that he is wrong when he says 95 per cent of crows should be put to death and not left back and quote what somebody else said.

Cloth From Pineapple Fibre

In France a new fabric that promises to become popular is made from pineapple fibre. It looks like a mixture of cambric and silk. The idea is not essentially new as the natives of Africa have long made their cloth from the fibre. The fibre does not disintegrate as quickly as cotton, and is more durable than the latter. Very crude the skilled process in France makes a superfine cloth, it is said.

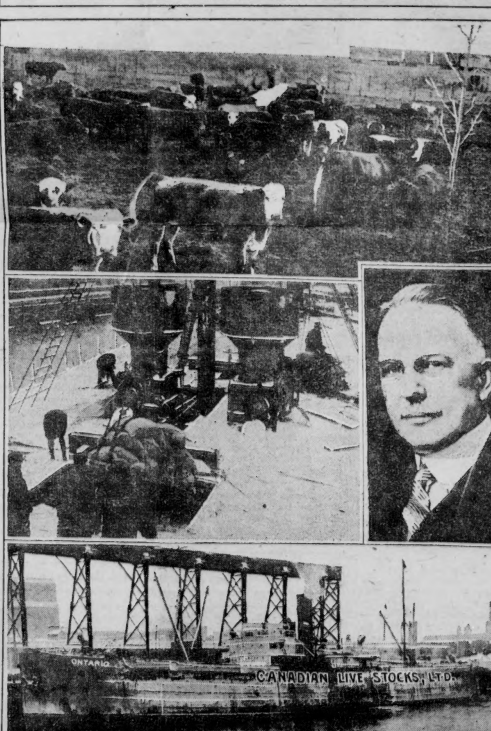
A New Business

Sewing on buttons for the city of London's helpless beggars, is a business that is being carried on by two women who have hired one room near the Bank of England for the purpose. They discovered that many beggars discovered that many of the landladies are not keen on doing the necessary housework for their lodgers.

Mrs. Sound: "I never knew your husband was lazy."

Mrs. Pendergast: "He had a postcard on his desk for a week now and says he can't read it because it is wrong side up."

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A new era in Canada's export cattle trade is believed to have been begun with the organization of the Livestock Steamships Limited for the purpose of operating a fleet of all-cattle ships to Great Britain. The first boat ever designed solely for the transport of cattle, the S.S. Ontario, sailed from St. John's on January 24th with a cargo of 1,168 Canadian cattle for Glasgow.

The sailing for this steamship, which is shown above, marks not only the inauguration of an entirely new type of cattle boat, but the advent of a new steamship line plying between Canadian and British ports, but also, in the opinion of export cattlemen present, a significant move towards enlarging the cattle export trade of the Dominion and the placing of the Canadian importer in a position where he will be able to compete on equal terms with his Irish competitors.

The formation of the new line, which is known as the Livestock Steamships Limited, is due to Mr. H. P. Kennedy, president of the Livestock Producers of Canada—probably the largest exporter of cattle in the Dominion—and Albert Keenan, steamship operator in Copenhagen and London. With them are associated in the venture a group of men in Toronto, Winnipeg, Edmonton and other parts of Canada. Mr. Kennedy is shown in the group of pictures above. Beside him is a scene on board the S.S. Ontario, showing the loading of feed for the first cargo, while the photograph at the top is of a group of cattle on one of Mr. Kennedy's feet into adjoining the Canadian National Railways at 24

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The United Church was taxed to capacity last Sunday, when Rev. G. R. Corcoran, gave a Latin address on "John Knox Scotland's Greatest Preacher."

An old time dance, held in the theatre last Friday night after the show, was attended by about 20 couple.

Alex. Massey, who has been spending the winter months in Calgary, returned to the district last week.

About Town and Country

Under the auspices of All Saint's Women's Guild a sale of home cooking will be held in the Masonic Building on Saturday, April 3. Afternoon tea served.

The Ladies Altar Society of the Sacred Heart Church will hold a whist drive and dance in the Masonic Hall, Oyen, on Easter Monday, April 5.

John Gaw, who left Oyen to go on an inspection tour for the Bank of Toronto, during the latter part of last month, was a town visitor Monday and Tuesday. He left this morning for Winnipeg.

Mr. J. C. Cunningham, who was operated upon last week, has left the hospital and is now back at work again.

Mr. Harry McDonald spent a few days of the latter part of last week in the hospital, where he underwent an operation, is reported as doing nicely.

George and Silas Trowin left last Thursday for Fort William, Ont., to visit their father who is dangerously ill.

The whist drive and dance to be held under the auspices of the Women's Guild of All Saint's Church, previously announced to be held on Thursday, April 8, will not be held till Thursday, April 15.

Miss Teresa Robinson made an uneventful recovery, after having her tonsils removed last week, and is back at work again.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lannon and family, who have been spending the winter months in Drumheller, returned to town yesterday.

Swat that fly, every fly killed now means one million less in June, and one million less chance of disease.

The six weeks old infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Odden, was operated upon yesterday morning, for diseased bone behind the ear, and is reported doing as well as can be expected.

John, the three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Art Robinson, was operated upon for enlarged septal glands of the neck, and septal tonsils.

Under instructions from Mr. Newson Small, B. H. Dial will sell at public auction, horses, farm implements, household goods etc to the high bidder. Sale takes place on the north-east quarter of 15 26 2, (12 miles south and 2 miles west of Sibbald and 5 miles north of Acadia Valley) on Wednesday, March 24, commencing at 12 noon. Lunch will be served.

Under instructions from Hans Hove, B. H. Dial will sell at public auction, at the Livery Barn, Excel, horses, cows, household effects and machinery etc., at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, March 31.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carlston, at Oyen Hospital, on March 14, a daughter.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. James Thygesen, at Oyen Hospital, on March 11, a son.

The Hospital as well as having an X-ray machine, have now installed, the largest and most up to date type of Quartz Lamp, and is being used with success on suitable cases.

LANFINE LOCALS

Dr. Milton Dowker shipped 6 polo ponies to Calgary last Tuesday. The shipment was accompanied by Mr. J. S. McKenzie, who returned to Lanfine last Saturday.

Mr. Dan McQuarrie and family returned to Lanfine last week after spending one and a half years in Calgary district.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Wardell returned to the district last Saturday, after spending the winter months in Calgary.

Mr. H. Wells has gone to Oyen and is succeeded here by Mr. L. Lowers. Mr. J. M. Culp is home again.

A well drilled near the station is giving a bountiful supply of good water.

Mrs. J. Garrison arrived from Calgary last Thursday and is visiting her sister Mrs. William Regan.

A few Lanfine people attended a dance in Cereal last Friday and report having a good time.

Don't forget the Coal Heavens Ball in the community hall next Friday night (March 19).

Cause for Worry

It was at a revival in a Southern Church. One obdurate soul stoutly resisted the elder's exhortations.

"Yo see its dis way, Eldah Ah's done got a problem. Ah don't see how Ah's gwine git mah shirt on ovah mah wings when Ah gets to Glory."

"Dat ain't yo problem," retorted the Eldah. "Yo problem is how is yo gwine get yo hat on ovah yo horns."

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LEGAL NOTICE

Public Sale of Lands by the Municipal District of Bertawan No. 271

Under The Tax Recovery Act 1922.

Public Notice is hereby given that under the provisions of The Tax Recovery Act 1922, and amendments thereto, The Municipal District of Bertawan No. 271, will offer for sale, by public auction at the Municipal Office, Sibbald, on Saturday, May 1, 1926, at 2 p.m. the following lands:

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N.W.	16	27	2	4
S.E.	21	27	2	4
N.E.	6	28	2	4
N.W.	10	28	2	4
N.E.	10	28	2	4
E.S.	10	28	2	4
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S.E.	10	27	3	4
N.W.	17	27	3	4
N.W.	29	27	3	4
N.W.	35	27	3	4
S.W.	10	28	3	4
W.S.	20	28	3	4
N.W.	9	20	3	4
S.E.	18	29	3	4
N.W.	32	29	3	4
N.E.	33	20	3	4
N.W.	24	28	3	4
N.W.	18	29	2	4
S.E.	12	29	1	4

The above described land will be offered for sale subject to a reserved bid and Government liens.

Dated at Sibbald this 6th day of February, 1926.

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Sec-Treas Municipal District of Bertawan, No. 271.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

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FOR SALE—A quantity of tame buckwheat. Apply: A. M. McQuarrie, Oyen, Alta.

FOR SALE—3 geese, 1 gander or will trade for potatoes. Striped on my place March 18, fox terrier white with black head and spot on left shoulder. Sam Korzhchenko, Oyen, Alta.

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